

**“EXPRESS MAIL” Mailing Label NO: EL719362924US**

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| In re:     | Patent application of      | : Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned |
|            | Donald L. Siegel           | :                                  |
| Appln. No: | Not Yet Assigned           | : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned       |
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| For:       | Rh(D)-BINDING PROTEINS AND | : Attorney Docket                  |
|            | MAGNETICALLY ACTIVATED     | : No. <b>9596-42U3</b>             |
|            | CELL SORTING METHOD FOR    | : (53893-5008-02)                  |
|            | PRODUCTION THEREOF         | :                                  |

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Preliminary to the calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of the above identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

On page 1, immediately below the “title” please add the amended section submitted herewith.

On pages 7-11, please delete the section of the specification entitled “Brief Description of the Drawings” and substitute in place thereof the amended section submitted herewith.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-10 and 15-21, without prejudice.

Please amend claim 12 to more properly depend from claim 11, instead of claim 10 as originally filed. A marked up copy of claim 12 and a clean copy of amended claim 12 are submitted herewith on separate sheets.

Please add new claims 22-37, as submitted herewith on separate sheets.